

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**RULE 116 AMENDMENT  
RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION**

In re Application of: Yasuhiko Aoki et al.  
Serial No.: 10/787,496  
Filing Date: February 26, 2004  
Group Art Unit: 2613  
Confirmation No.: 4976  
Examiner: Thi Q. Le  
Title: Optical Network with Selective Mode Switching

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**Response Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the final Office Action electronically sent May 9, 2007, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks.